## **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Mayor Wilson and Cedar City Council Members

From:

Jason Norris

Date:

May 11, 2015

Subject:

FY2015-16 Tentative Budget

The initial draft of the fiscal year 2015-16 budget has been prepared in accordance with the State of Utah Laws and is an attachment to this memorandum.

A few points are summarized for the council's consideration which will be discussed in detail with city staff May 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>.

- 1. The general fund remains in a stable, but healthy financial position. General fund tax revenue is projected to increase \$155,000.
- 2. Personnel costs are projected to have a net increase of \$230,606. The net increase represents a combination 1% equity contribution with a twenty cent per hour wage increase per full-time employee, and a partial salary study wage increase to staff positions identified as below current market salary ranges. The health insurance premium increased 5% and was primarily funded by decreasing last year's proposed \$59,600 one-time HSA contribution (\$400 per employee). A new police detective position has been proposed and a full-time Heritage Center technical assistant.
- 3. Enterprise funds are in a positive operating position and continue to address needed infrastructure capital projects.
- 4. No new debt obligations have been entered into by the City.
- 5. The City's general fund will now pay enterprise fund service fees according to the City fee schedule.

Various capital projects have been proposed that warrant further discussion with Council members.